

Preliminary Amendment

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For: INDUCIBLE LIGAND FOR $\alpha 1\beta 1$ INTEGRIN AND USES

Summary

Prior to taking up the above-identified application for examination, please amend the specification to include the claim to priority, which was listed on the Application Data Sheet ("ADS") as filed. No new matter has been added.

It is respectfully submitted that the pending claims are in condition for allowance and notification to that effect is respectfully requested. The Examiner is invited to contact Applicant's Representatives, at the below-listed telephone number, if it is believed that prosecution of this application may be assisted thereby.

Respectfully submitted for
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